



June 7, 2007

Rep. Steve Wieckert
State Assembly
P.O. Box 8953
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Rep. Wieckert:

As president of the 2,900 member dentists who belong to the Wisconsin Dental Association, I am pleased to offer our support for passage of 2007 Assembly Bill 263.

Both retired and practicing dentists volunteer their services at free clinics in a variety of areas throughout the state and we appreciate the fact that this piece of legislation clarifies practitioners (including dentists) who provide care at free health care clinics are serving as agents of the state and have state liability coverage regardless of whether the providers have an active practice or are retired.

Thank you for introducing this bill which will clarify the liability coverage offered to volunteer health care providers under a currently existing state program. We appreciate your efforts and fully support passage of this bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Eva C. Dahl DDS". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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To: Members, Assembly Committee on Public Health

Cc: Representative Steve Wieckert

From: Wisconsin Physical Therapy Association

Re: AB 263

Date: August 1, 2007

Dear Members;

On behalf of the Wisconsin Physical Therapy Association (WPTA) we wish to express our support for AB 263. This legislation would serve the public interest by allowing physical therapists and other health professionals to provide services to those in need without fear of increased malpractice insurance rates or having to seek additional coverage.

This legislation would also encourage physical therapists and other health professionals who have not volunteered their time to do so. If they are not concerned about possible malpractice claims or financial implications with their insurance companies then they would be able to freely volunteer their time to help those who may not otherwise receive these valuable health treatments.

We ask for your support in passing AB 263 out of the Assembly Committee on Public Health.

Thank you,

Rob Worth
President, Wisconsin Physical Therapy Association